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PRESS

WE ARE PICKETING BECAUSE THE SPANISH COMMUNITY WANTS HER SHARE IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST POVERTY. WE AND OUR PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN OBSTINATELY IGNORED FOR OVER 2 YEARS.

WE DEMAND THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE U.C.C. TAKE A QUICK ACTION AND FUND THE SPANISH PROGRAM - F.O.C.U.S. NEW PROGRAMS ARE APPROVED AND FUNDED EVERY YEAR, BUT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE U.C.C. DON'T REALIZE <sup>THE</sup> PRESENCE OF THE POOR OF SPANISH ORIGIN IS ALMOST NON EXISTANT IN ANY ONE OF THEM.

~~THAT~~ THE BOARD SEEMS TO BE ONLY INTENT ON AND WORRIED ABOUT CREATION OF NEW PROGRAMS BUT THEY DON'T SEEM TO WORRY MUCH ABOUT THE PARTICIPATION OF THE SPANISH POOR IN THE EXISTING ONES.

WE STRONGLY FEEL THAT ONLY THE FUNDING OF F.O.C.U.S. WILL MAKE EVERY ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM MEANINGFUL AND ACCESSIBLE TO US.

OUR PRESENCE HERE TELLS THEM:

FUND F.O.C.U.S. FIRST, AFTER ~~YOU~~ WORRY ABOUT OTHER PROGRAMS